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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS ETRD, CS

SUBJECT: BANANA DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (BANDECO)

FILES SUIT ON BANANA TAX

1. THE BANANA DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (BANDECO) FILED SUIT AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT OF COSTA RICA ON JUNE 11 FOR 16.5 MILLION COLONES, ALLEGING THE ILLEGALITY OF THE \$1.00 EXPORT TAX PER BOX ON BANANAS. THIS IS THE THIRD SUIT FILED BY A FOREIGN COMPANY AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT FOR THE SAME REASON; THE OTHER TWO WERE FILED BY UNITED BRANDS AND STANDARD FRUIT WHO HAVE BEEN PAYING THE TAX UNDER PROTEST.

2. BANDECO, LIKE OTHER BANANA EXPORTING COMPANIES OPERATING IN THE COUNTRY, CLAIMS THAT BECAUSE IT IS UNCLASSIFIED

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PROTECTED BY LEGAL CONTRACT (CONTRACT LAWS), THE

GOVERNMENT CANNOT TAX EXPORTS AS IT HAS BEEN DOING
SINCE APRIL OF 1974.
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